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Province investing $11.1 million into Merchants Corner

'Almost a dream come true.' Community gets behind redevelopment of old hotel into housing units, classroom space

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Plans are well underway to convert a former rundown North End hotel into a mixed-use educational and housing complex for students.

The four-storey Merchants Hotel on Selkirk Avenue will be redeveloped into Merchants Corner, with 30 rent-geared-to-income units, classroom space and retail on the main floor.

On Tuesday, Premier Greg Selinger announced $11.1 million in funding for the redevelopment project, which he believes will spur local youth to "see that a post-secondary education can be part of their future."

Michael Champagne, vice-president of the North End Community Renewal Corporation, said the Merchants Corner project is "one step of many."

"Our residents have taken ownership over this street, as you can see in the designs of the banners and the images that are behind us," he said, pointing out artwork by Ndinawe, Graffiti Art Gallery and Meet Me at the Bell Tower.

"So many different members of our community, our young people, have been coming to this very building ever since the Merchants Hotel has closed ... This street used to be a not-safe place for us to walk down."

Osvaldo Peña, who lives near Merchants Corner, said he welcomes the changes, adding there was a lot of violence — including stabbings and murders — when it was a hotel.

"Almost every weekend, there was someone killed or injured. Now, thanks to the community and police, who have done a great job here, we can freely walk our own streets, without being afraid," he said.

"The community worked very hard — it's almost a dream come true. We have a ways to go, but at least it's progress."

The backstory

The North End Community Renewal Corporation assumed responsibility of the building in April 2012 and, along with a coalition of 20 North End organizations, guided the redevelopment.

- The government of Manitoba bought the Merchants Hotel for $1.3 million. It was first built in 1914 as a hardware store and converted into the hotel in 1933.

Michael Champagne speaks about the new Merchants Corner, alongside dignitaries, from left, Minister Kevin Chief, Dr. Lloyd Axworthy of the University of Winnipeg, Kathy Mallett of the Community Education Development Association and Minister Peter Bjornson. BERNICE PONTANILLA/METRO

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Gardens. The Forks plants public orchard, following removal of diseased trees

The Forks has replaced several dozen diseased trees with two new urban gardens at the historic meeting site.

The first urban garden is made up of fruit and nut trees and will be free and open to all. The second garden will sell its harvest to local restaurants.

The project began when The Forks was forced to remove 53 diseased chokecherry trees last spring.

"(Community Orchards for Resources and Education) came to us at just the right time. We wanted to do something innovative, urban and very public," said Paul Jordan, COO of The Forks. "CORE approached The Forks looking for a space to plant a public orchard and we now had the perfect location."

The orchard, next to the Inn at the Forks, will be made up of apple, pear, cherry, plum, fig, persimmon and lemon trees, along with fruit-bearing shrubs. It will take about five years for the trees to bear fruit.

Also next to the Inn at the Forks will be a small parcel of land that will become The Forks' first urban garden, sustained through partnerships with local restaurants. METRO

One week and counting

A week away from the opening of the Journey to Churchill exhibit, the Assiniboine Park Conservancy gave media a sneak peek of the new gate and gift shop at the Assiniboine Park Zoo on Tuesday. The 11,410-square-foot multi-purpose facility is just east of the old entrance and has a welcoming plaza, visitor-services centre, Prairie horticultural elements, energy-efficient LED light fixtures and the gift shop, called Wild Things Unique Gifts.

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New council should decide transit's fate: Candidate

Second phase. Mike Vogiatzakis proposes $20-million traffic signal alternative

A mayoral candidate is calling on Winnipeg city council to delay or reject the business plan for the $590-million second phase of rapid transit.

Funeral director Mike Vogiatzakis says it should be the newly elected mayor and council in October that decides the fate of this project.

"Say no to this vote; this decision should not be made by the current mayor," he said during a news conference at city hall on Tuesday.

"In just a few months there will be a new mayor in power, and if it's me who the taxpayers decide to take over, I want to make my own decision."

Vogiatzakis proposes that instead of the $590-million project, the city would be better off with a $20-million active transit signal priority system.

"Once the bus pulls up into an intersection, it sends a signal to the lights and the lights turn green," he said, adding taxpayers' money should be respected.

"It speeds up (travel) time by 10 minutes, so going down Pembina Highway, a 30-minute drive, on one of these buses would be a 20-minute (ride)."

Coun. Ross Eadie was critical of Vogiatzakis's proposal, saying this city council does have the right to make the decision on the second phase of rapid transit. On Wednesday, council will vote on the project's financing. BERNICE PONTANILLA/METRO

Referendum supported

The results of a poll done by Probe Research for the Winnipeg Free Press states 71 per cent of Winnipeggers want a referendum on rapid transit at the ballot box this October.

Mayoral candidate Mike Vogiatzakis says he wants to see better traffic signalling for buses in the city. BERNICE PONTANILLA/METRO

Court

Lawsuit over medical school rejection tossed

A judge has tossed a lawsuit filed by a woman who didn't get into medical school.

Henya Olfman was denied admission into the University of Manitoba's faculty of medicine in 2010 and lost a subsequent appeal with the school.

Her father, a lawyer, then took the battle to court, claiming his daughter was entitled to be in the medical program since she had completed her pre-med courses.

In a recent decision, Winnipeg Court of Queen's Bench Justice Chris Martin describes the 154-page lawsuit as frivolous and an "absolute abuse of process."

He says it's unfortunate the young woman didn't get into medical school and it must have been disappointing to her parents.

"Regrettably, setbacks and denied aspirations are a part of life," writes Martin.

"Yet, to confront this through a lawsuit with the attendant substantial expenditure of time, effort and money to the specific defendants, as well as to the plaintiff herself, and to the administration of justice generally, is remarkable."

Martin suggests the woman's father, Shawn Olfman, lost his objectivity in crafting the suit on behalf of his daughter. The judge calls the claim more of a meandering essay that piles up as many arguments as possible.

The lawsuit claims the medical school has a flawed selection process and breached an informal contract it had with Henya Olfman by offering her pre-med classes. The suit further alleges that denying her admission violates the United Nations International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and, in turn, the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

The suit called itself extraordinary. "More than any other case in Canada's history, this case will determine Canada's next few hundred years."

It's the second time the family has tried to sue.

The judge says claims like Olfman's clog the justice system and create delays for "proper" claims.

He awarded $6,000 in legal costs to the university and the provincial government. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Downtown

Flash photo fest popping up

The Downtown Winnipeg BIZ is partnering with the Winnipeg Art Gallery and LabWorks for the first Flash Photography Festival, to happen throughout October in downtown Winnipeg. Dozens of local photographers have signed up to take part. METRO

Funding

U of M to get new 3D microscopes

The University of Manitoba will be the proud owner of three new fancy electron microscopes, thanks to $3.5 million in funding from the feds. The microscopes create "high-resolution three-dimensional images at a microscopic level," says a news release. METRO

Crime

Alleged ATM thief charged

Winnipeg police have arrested a man they say was trying to break into an ATM using a cutting torch in the 100 block of St. Anne's Road at about 3 a.m. Monday. Robert James Wagner, 30, has been charged and detained.

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Board vote

U of W budget gets approval

The University of Winnipeg's board has OK'd the 2014-15 operating budget, which will see larger class sizes. The budget, set at $120 million, reflects a 2.5 per cent increase in the province's operating grant and tuition will rise 2.4 per cent, says the U of W. METRO

A silent euthanasia protest

Anti-euthanasia demonstrators dressed as mime artists hold placards near the Eiffel Tower in Paris. A French court ruled Tuesday that doctors can turn off life support for Vincent Lambert, 38, left comatose by a car accident six years ago. MICHEL EULER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tribute to moms has MacKay in hot water

Mother's, Father's Day messages. Women change diapers and pack lunches, while men shape 'leaders,' minister writes to staff

Justice Minister Peter MacKay answers questions in the House of Commons on June 18. ADRIAN WYLD/ THE CANADIAN PRESS

Justice Minister Peter MacKay raised eyebrows in his department with two very different tributes to female and male employees for Mother's Day and Father's Day this year.

Emails obtained by The Canadian Press show that in May, MacKay saluted mothers in the department for holding down two full-time jobs — at home and at work.

"By the time many of you have arrived at the office in the morning, you've already changed diapers, packed lunches, run after school buses, dropped kids off at daycare, taken care of an aging loved one and maybe even thought about dinner," MacKay said of the moms in a staff-wide memo that went out to thousands of employees before Mother's Day.

The email didn't get much reaction internally until the Father's Day version arrived a month later.

It made no mention of any household duties, but said the men were "shaping the minds and futures of the next generation of leaders."

"... Needless to say, it can also be daunting to consider the immense and life-long influence we have over our children," MacKay wrote. "Our words, actions and examples greatly mould who they will become.

"We can only hope that the moments we spend teaching, guiding and loving them will sustain them throughout their lives."

The Mother's Day message does not touch on the impact the women have on their children's futures.

MacKay's office did not respond to a request for an interview.

Liberal trade critic Chrystia Freeland calls the difference in the Justice Department email messages striking and says they play on outdated stereotypes of parental roles.

"I think that particularly in families like the ones that were addressed by these emails ... I simply don't think that reflects the modern Canadian family and is demeaning to both mothers and fathers," said Freeland.

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Quoted

"It can also be daunting to consider the immense and life-long influence we have over our children."

Justice Minister Peter MacKay
Father's Day email sent to male employees

Punishable by death

LGBT rights need protection: U.S.

With anti-gay laws taking root in nearly 80 countries, White House National Security Adviser Susan Rice said Tuesday that protecting gays from global discrimination, abuse and even death is the most challenging international human rights issue facing the United States.

Seven countries have laws imposing death sentences for gay sex.

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Backs gay marriage

Defrocked pastor back in pulpit

A Pennsylvania pastor who presided over his son's same-sex wedding can return to the pulpit after a United Methodist Church appeals panel on Tuesday overturned a decision to defrock him.

The nine-person panel said the jury that convicted Frank Schaefer of breaking church law erred when fashioning his punishment.

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Women attend a prayer meeting, calling on the government to rescue the kidnapped girls of the government-run secondary school in Chibok, Nigeria. Extremists have abducted 91 more people in weekend attacks on villages in Nigeria, witnesses said Tuesday. SUNDAY ALAMBA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Boko Haram abducts 91 people: Witnesses

Deadly weekend attacks. Kidnappings come less than three months after 200 schoolgirls were taken in mass abduction

Extremists have abducted 91 more people, including toddlers as young as three, in weekend attacks on villages in Nigeria, witnesses said Tuesday, providing fresh evidence of the military's failure to curb an Islamic uprising and the government's inability to provide security.

The kidnappings come less than three months after the mass abduction of more than 200 schoolgirls, which embarrassed Nigeria's government and military because of their slow response. Those girls are still being held captive.

The most recent victims include 60 girls and women, some of whom are married, and 31 boys, witnesses said.

A local official confirmed the abductions, but security forces denied them.

There was no way to safely and independently confirm the report from Kummabza, 150 kilometres from Maiduguri, capital of Borno state and headquarters of a military state of emergency that has failed to curtail near-daily attacks by Boko Haram fighters.

Vigilante leader Aji Khalil said Tuesday the abductions took place Saturday in an attack that killed four villagers. Khalil lives in Maiduguri but gets reports daily from other vigilante groups that have had some success in repelling Boko Haram with primitive weapons.

A senior councillor from the village's Damboa local government told The Associated Press that abductions had occurred but spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to give information to reporters. He said the reports came from elderly survivors of the attack who had walked some 25 kilometres to the relative safety of other villages.

An intelligence officer with Nigeria's Department of State Security also said there had been a mass abduction, but he said it occurred in Kummabza and three nearby villages between June 13 and 15, and that no one knows the actual number abducted. He also spoke on the condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to talk to reporters.

There was no way to reconcile the confusion, which also surrounded the first mass abduction in mid-April.

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Escalating violence

Martha Mark, the mother of kidnapped schoolgirl Monica. SUNDAY ALAMBA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Extremists bomb cities, raze villages

A strategy to rescue the girls is at an impasse. Nigeria's military has said it knows where they are but fears their abductors would kill them if military action is taken.

Boko Haram has been demanding the release of detained members, but President Goodluck Jonathan has said he will not consider a swap.

Jacob Zenn, who wrote a book about Boko Haram, said the longer the situation drags on, "Boko Haram is more likely to decide to use the girls for forced marriages instead of as bargaining chips."

This year, the Boko Haram insurgents have embarked on a two-pronged strategy — bombing in cities and a scorched-earth policy in rural areas where they are devastating villages.

On Monday, an explosion at a medical college in the northern city of Kano killed at least eight people and wounded 12, police said. It was the third bomb blast in four months in Kano.

On Saturday, Boko Haram fighters attacked four villages near Chibok, witnesses said, and 33 villagers, six vigilantes and about two dozen Boko Haram fighters were killed.

Boko Haram — the nickname means "Western education is sinful" — wants to enforce Islamic law throughout the country.

The group evolved five years ago from an Islamic sect that preached against the corruption that keeps most Nigerians impoverished despite their country's oil wealth. Those efforts expanded into a violent movement that initially targeted government and security officials, but now attacks indiscriminately.

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KFC. Probe doesn't find evidence worker asked scarred child to leave

Fried-chicken chain KFC said two different investigations have not found any evidence that an employee asked a three-year-old girl and family members to leave because her severe facial injuries, suffered in a pit bull mauling, disturbed customers.

KFC spokesman Rick Maynard said Tuesday the company considered the matter closed after an internal investigation by the franchise restaurant in Jackson and an independent probe. Maynard said the company would honour its commitment to donate $30,000 to help with medical bills for Victoria Wilcher.

"Like the rest of America, the KFC family has been moved by the story of Victoria's injuries and recovery," Maynard said. "We hope everyone keeps Victoria in their thoughts and prayers. She will certainly be in ours."

Allegations that Victoria was asked to leave the restaurant were made earlier this month on the Facebook site Victoria's Victories, which follows her recovery from the April attack.

In a statement, Hannon Food Services, which operates the restaurant, said the company was deeply troubled by the allegation. As part of its investigation, Hannon said it spent hundreds of hours reviewing surveillance video, interviewing employees and hired the outside investigator. The company said it would reach out to the child's family for additional discussions.

Jackson attorney Bill Kellum, in a statement Tuesday afternoon on behalf of the child's family, said Victoria's grandmother, Kelly Mullins, stands by her claim of what happened at the restaurant.

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Victoria Wilcher FACEBOOK

Medical bills

$30K

KFC says it will honour a commitment to donate $30,000 to help with Victoria Wilcher's medical bills.

Egypt. President won't interfere in verdicts against three journalists

Egyptian President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi on Tuesday rejected calls from the United States and other Western governments that he pardon or commute the sentences of an Egyptian-Canadian journalist and two of his Al-Jazeera colleagues who were all handed heavy prison terms a day earlier in a court ruling that raised international outrage.

El-Sissi's tough stance reflected an image the former army chief has sought to project to the Egyptian public — one of a strong leader defying foreign pressure on Egypt. Nationalist media bolstered that narrative Tuesday, praising the verdicts as a sign of the judiciary standing up to outside interference.

El-Sissi said he would not interfere in court rulings or the judicial process. Legal experts said that doesn't rule out a pardon later after any appeals are exhausted. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The trial

- Egyptian-Canadian Mohamed Fahmy, Australian Peter Greste and Egyptian Baher Mohamed were charged with helping the Brotherhood, which Egypt's government has declared a terrorist group, and with falsifying their coverage of protests by Morsi supporters in order to damage Egypt's security.
- Greste and Fahmy were sentenced to seven years in prison and Mohamed to 10 years.
- Rights groups described their five-month trial as a sham, with no evidence presented to back the charges.

The Hudson's Bay Company removed a T-shirt from its stores Tuesday when customers cried foul on Twitter. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

T-shirt designer 'can't apologize'

Hudson's Bay Co.

Canadian retailer pulls shirt after uproar, but the Canadian-born designer stands by his use of the quote 'Nothing Tastes As Good As Skinny Feels'

The Hudson's Bay Co. is pulling a T-shirt from its stores after a backlash unfolded on social media tied to an eyebrow-raising message on the garment.

The T-shirt bears an infamous quote by British supermodel Kate Moss that says, "Nothing Tastes As Good As Skinny Feels."

The quote is shown inside a mockup of a nutrition label with the calorie count listed as zero.

After igniting some criticism online, Hudson's Bay tweeted from its official account that the T-shirt was being removed from stores and online immediately.

The retailer confirmed the move to pull the garment in an official statement to The Canadian Press on Tuesday.

"We always take into consideration what our customers want and need in our offerings and constantly evaluate the products we provide," a portion of the statement read.

The Canadian-born designer of the T-shirt issued his own statement on Tuesday in wake of the controversy.

Christopher Lee Sauve said allegations that the shirt is celebrating the severity of eating disorders "is just not the case."

Sauve said that as an artist, he got his start mocking the fashion industry. While he said it's an industry he's long followed and admired, it's also one that "begs to be mocked."

"I fully understand and comprehend the severity of an eating disorder and I do not condone celebrating such pain. My sincerest apologies to anyone that I have offended with my designs. I believe wholeheartedly in my work, however, and I can't apologize for that." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Hurting bottom line

Companies a bit socially awkward on social media

Canadian businesses are becoming increasingly active on mediums like LinkedIn and Twitter, but too many remain socially awkward, and it's hurting their bottom line.

"Companies are starting to engage in an authentic way with Canadians and that's leading to increased sales, increased customer service satisfaction and a sense of connectedness," said Ian Capstick, managing Partner at Ottawa-based consulting firm MediaStyle.

"But, let's be honest, not all Canadian companies are quite there yet. You can still find lots of dormant Twitter accounts, websites that aren't updated, store hours on a door front, for instance, that don't match the digital store hours or the ones on Google."

While many businesses may think they're interacting with their customers on social media because they have a Twitter account or Facebook page, experts agree a more strategic plan is needed to really leverage the many available platforms and give companies a proper return on investment.

"People need to tie their social media activities to their overall communications plan, they need to make it part of what they're trying to do," said Lara Wellman of Wellman Wilson Consulting, an Ottawa-based firm that coaches clients in social media communications.

Whether a company's goal is to promote its brand, become a leader in its field, sell ideas or target a new audience, knowing what it wants to achieve will it help map out how to get there, and create the right content to keep followers engaged. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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INSUFFERABILITY EMISSIONS DOWN

JUST SAYIN'

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Good news!

The Global Insufferability Index (GII) is down slightly today.

For those of you not familiar with the GII, it's the measure of the amount of holier-than-thou self-righteousness in the atmosphere, and it experienced a sharp drop when we learned about the Greenpeace executive who commuted by air between Luxembourg where he lives and Amsterdam where he works, 400 kilometres one way.

As a result of his commute, Pascal Husting, the environmental organization's international program director, personally has been responsible for dumping 7.4 tonnes of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere over the last two years.

This comes from an organization that says: "In terms of damage to the climate, flying is 10 times worse than taking the train." But Husting didn't want to endure the 12-hour return trip, so he flew instead, (as would any sane person).

As you might imagine, his colleagues are gasping a bit for air. All over the planet, Greenpeace faces are red.

In his blog, the executive director of Greenpeace UK asks the question: "What kind of compromises do you make in your efforts to try to make the world a better place?"

And then, without waiting for an answer he may not like, he answers his own question: "For what it's worth, I don't think we've crossed the line here at Greenpeace."

Of course, that doesn't clear the air for all those Greenpeace volunteers who have made the hard choices and now find themselves underwriting airline travel for their trusty stewards of the environment. One guy, who has volunteered since the '80s, calls the situation "unbelievable."

So now they know what it's like for the rest of us: It ain't easy being green. If they were really honest, the rainbow warriors of Greenpeace would add up ALL of their carbon-emitting activities. And then stay home, which is probably the greenest thing they could do.

As much as there's a temptation to gloat, we have to be careful about the GII. And we don't want to discourage all those people who are trying to save the planet. We just want them to ask: Are we part of the solution…or part of the problem?

Other organizations are quietly doing their best to put environmental standards in places that don't require a circus act — in construction, waste management, transportation, the food industry, etc. They don't make headlines, but they do make it possible for 7.2 billion people to make it through another day on earth.

Global warming is one of the great challenges of the age. But it's not the only one. Insufferability is right up there.

Greenpeace, at least, will be a little more down to earth — literally. Starting next week, Greenpeace has announced, Pascal Husting will start taking the train.

MUD MAN

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A resident covered in mud and wrapped in dried banana leaves makes the rounds of houses to beg for candles prior to attending a mass to celebrate the Feast Day of St. John the Baptist in northern Philippines Tuesday. For more images of the festival, scan this photo with your Metro News app. ALL PHOTOS BULLIT MARQUEZ/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

B-day celebration for the Baptist

In the village of Bibiclat in Nueva Ecija province, people transform themselves into taong putik (mud people) by covering themselves in mud and wearing costumes made from dried banana leaves.

This tradition represents the way John the Baptist disguised himself when he baptized Jesus Christ. The people say St. John saved the lives of residents of this village.

Another tradition, the Parada ng Lechon (Parade of Roasted Pigs), is observed in Balayan, Batangas province. Roasted pigs are dressed up and paraded through the streets.

Crowds try to douse the pigs in wigs and their bearers with water or beer to represent the baptism. The festival ends with a feast of, what else? Roasted pig.

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A day like no other

- Throughout the Philippines, giant water-fights are held during the Festival of St. John.
- St. John the Baptist is the only saint whose birthday is celebrated in the Christian liturgy; all others are observed on the day of their death.

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A little consensual violence never hurt

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Remember a while ago when that beautiful video of strangers kissing turned out to be just another viral publicity stunt? Remember what a slap in the face that was to those of us with quaint ideas like love, happiness and human connection?

Well, Max Landis remembers. And rather than move on to the next thing like the rest of us, he took a stand by arranging a little consensual slapping among strangers to illustrate how we all felt.

And, yes. That is Haley Joel Osment. (uptomyknees/YouTube)

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Bay-ing for Transformers

Blowed-up-real-good box-office bonanza.
Critics may hate Michael Bay's schtick, but his flicks are hits

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Nicola Peltz plays Tessa and Mark Wahlberg plays Cade Yeager in Transformers: Age of Extinction. CONTRIBUTED

Director Michael Bay once said he doesn't make movies for critics. The auteur behind such hits as The Rock, Armageddon, Bad Boys 1 and 2 and the Transformers movies is best known for making big, loud films that rake it in at the box office but leave critics reaching for the Advil.

Bay acknowledged the adversarial relationship in a 2005 article by Rene Rodriguez.

"They castrate me," he told Rodriguez. "They call me the devil and all that crap."

It's not hard to see why reviewers have a hard time with his films. He never met a building or car or city he didn't want to blow up in spectacular fashion, and critics often feel like they have to slather on SPF 70 to avoid getting a tan from the glare off the giant fireballs that light up screen in Bay's films.

Audiences, however, have flocked to his flicks. According to boxofficemojo.com his 10 features have grossed close to $2 billion. That's a lot of beans.

The release this weekend of Transformers: Age of Extinction promises to add to those totals. The fourth installment of the franchise stars Mark Wahlberg as a single father and struggling inventor who discovers the deactivated Autobots leader Optimus Prime.

The movie promises a whole new raft of Transformers, including bounty hunter Lockdown and the rough and tumble Dinobot Grimlock. Bay promises we'll also see an "angry Optimus Prime."

Will the critics like Age of Extinction? Who knows.

The Transformers movies are as close to guaranteed hits as Hollywood has these days, so reviews most likely won't matter to the box office.

Not all of Bay's films have been critically reviled.

"The critics were very nice to me when I first began with Bad Boys," he says and his last movie, the crime drama Pain and Gain, was called "the best movie Michael Bay's ever made," by the Newark Star-Ledger.

That film has a few things going for it. First, there isn't a robot in sight. Secondly, it has a great cast — including Wahlberg, Dwayne 'The Rock' Johnson and Anthony Mackie — who bring serious star power

Plus it doesn't really feel like a Michael Bay film. And by that I mean there's only one shot of the three leads walking away from a slow-motion explosion.

Years ago, I wrote this about his trademarked aural and optical onslaught:

"The former commercial director has a knack for making everything look shiny, but having great taste doesn't make a great film director any more than great taste makes a Snicker's bar a gourmet meal."

I even coined a word for his style: Hullabayloo. But nothing I or any other critic writes matters to the director.

"I've actually stopped reading (reviews)," he told Rodriguez.

Cancel the stunt doubles

Stars feel the heat of real explosions

"We were happy to do whatever was asked of us whenever it was asked of us," says Transformers: Age of Extinction star Jack Reynor.

The Colorado-born, Irish-raised actor proved he was game for anything when he was given just 20 minutes to prepare for a wild scene that brought him face-to-face with real explosions.

"It is an incredibly intimidating experience in many ways," he said, "but at the end of the day you have to trust the people around you, that they know what they're doing that they're prepared, and that you're safe. We had a great stunt team who worked on this film with us. Those guys really put us at ease."

Sharing the explosive scene with Reynor were his co-stars Nicola Peltz and Mark Wahlberg.

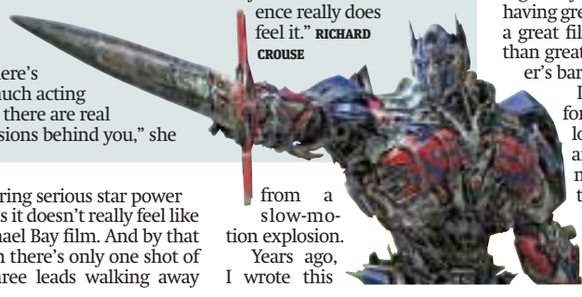
"They worked so hard to make this huge explosion," says Peltz, best known for her role as Bradley Martin on Bates Motel. "I think it took a week, but we didn't know about it. We were kind of confused when we got on set and saw 10 cameras. (Director) Michael (Bay) told us a few minutes before, 'You're going to do this huge stunt. It's not going to be stunt doubles, it's going to be you guys and you have to run from here to here in 4.6 seconds.'

"There's not much acting when there are real explosions behind you," she says. "You just have to run."

The experience of sprinting away from live blasts wasn't exactly what Peltz expected when she signed on for the role in the fourth Transformers film.

"I thought there was going to be more green screen than there actually was, but Michael wants everything to be as real as possible so the car chases and the explosions are all real."

"You can really tell the difference," says Reynor. "You can tell when a movie is really heavy on CG.... That's why I think these movies have been as incredibly successful as they have, because the audience really does feel it." RICHARD CROUSE



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The Word

Joan Rivers takes a swipe at K. Stew in new book

MELINDA TAUB
Metro World News

Kristen Stewart doesn't take kindly to the implication that she sleeps around to get roles: She's threatened to sue Joan Rivers if she sees it in print.

Rivers' new book, Diary of a Mad Diva, includes a pointed crack about the Twilight actress. "Many stars only do one thing well. The best one-trick pony is Kristen Stewart, who got a whole career by being able to juggle a director's b—s," Rivers wrote.

All the world knows that Stewart did cheat on then-boyfriend Robert Pattinson with director Rupert Sanders, but it would be a stretch to say that doing so gave her a career — Sanders directed her in Snow White and the Huntsman, not, you know, one of those little vampire movies she did.

Plus, Stewart's had a thriving career since she was a teen, which makes the allegation even more unsavoury.

Stewart dispatched a lawyer to make these points to Rivers' people, according to Page Six. It sounds unlikely that Rivers will apologize or revise, however. The book's prologue reads: "Anyone who takes anything in this book seriously is an idiot."

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Miley's younger sister has an unusual summer job

Miley Cyrus has a job for her 14-year-old sister, Noah Cyrus, that some critics might find a tad inappropriate for the young teen.

Miley tells Australia's 2Day FM radio station that Noah works as her "p—sy police" to prevent the singer's privates from becoming exposed during her vigorous dance routines in skimpy costumes. "She makes sure that, you know, everything is staying intact," Miley explains. As summer jobs go, it at least beats having a paper route. "She's a natural entertainer. When I'm with her I'll feel like sometimes, 'Oh my God, she's totally stealing my shine,'" Miley says of the possibility of her younger sister following her into show business. "She gets more attention than me. And she's kind of like a natural at it, so I feel like if she wanted to do it, I wouldn't stop her."

Kristen's expecting another baby Bell

Kristen Bell is pregnant once again. The Frozen star's rep confirms that Bell and husband Dax Shepard are expecting their second child, according to People magazine.

"The whole family is beyond excited," the rep says. Bell and Shepard are already parents to one-year-old daughter Lincoln Bell. They were married in 2013.

Kristen Bell

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@simonpegg
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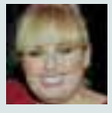

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I'm all chatty today but found ANOTHER baby bird ...jeez somehow they all fall into my yard..gotta go feed ...:).. have a great summer day!

What's eating Leo DiCaprio?

Leonardo DiCaprio

A note to fans of Leonardo DiCaprio: The Wolf of Wall Street star is happy to acknowledge you should you meet each other, but he doesn't necessarily want there to be a record of the occasion.

According to the New York Post, DiCaprio was partying with A Tribe Called Quest rapper Q-Tip in New York City's Meatpacking District recently when a blonde fan celebrating her birthday "fell into their area" and introduced herself.

DiCaprio said "'Happy birthday' to the girl," according to a source, but when she asked to have her picture taken with him, "he responded, 'Sorry, not tonight.'"

Taylor Swift is 24 going on 50

Taylor Swift

Singer-songwriter Ed Sheeran has some insight into pal Taylor Swift's personality.

"I know she's 24, but she's a sort of middle-aged woman trapped in a 24-year-old's body," Sheeran tells MTV. "She hangs out with her cat and sews things." Case in point? Swift — whom Sheeran calls "very crafty" — gifted Sheeran with a needlepoint of a Drake lyric, which Sheeran happily had framed. It's unclear whether Swift is upset about having her dowdiness exposed, but at least for Sheeran's sake she just writes songs about ex-boyfriends and not regular friends.

Coming up the Causeway

Northern Ireland. If you're in the mood for wondrous scenery and a little bit of whiskey, try striking out on the Causeway Coastal Route this summer

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The Giant's Causeway is Northern Ireland's only UNESCO World Heritage Site. PHOTOS: ANDREW DOBSON/METRO

Northern Ireland's famed Causeway Coastal Route is rated as one of the world's great road journeys. This past May it was in the international spotlight as the scenic backdrop to the Giro d'Italia's Big Start cycle race, which was watched by over 775 million people around the world.

The 200 kilometres of stunning coastline offers twists and turns that reveal windswept cliffs, ancient cathedrals, crumbling castles, quaint farms, villages and unspoiled beaches. Here are four attractions along the Causeway Coast:

Titanic Belfast

Perhaps the most famous vessel ever launched, RMS Titanic was built in Belfast's Harland & Wolff shipyard for White Star Line. When her keel was laid in 1909, Belfast was at the height of its fame as a shipbuilding powerhouse. Today Belfast's star attraction is Titanic Belfast, a world-class museum which sits where the original ship was constructed. The six-floor building features nine interactive galleries that explore the Titanic.

The Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge

This bridge is a 20 metre-long, one metre-wide bridge of wire rope that spans the chasm between sea cliffs and the island of Carrick-a-Rede. It sways gently, 30 metres above rock-strewn water. The island has sustained a salmon fishery for centuries; fishermen stretch nets out from the tip of the island to intercept salmon migrating to their home rivers.

Giant's Causeway

When you first see it, you'll understand why the ancients believed the Giant's Causeway was not a natural feature. The vast expanse of closely packed, hexagonal stone columns dipping gently beneath the waves looks like the handiwork of giants. This spectacular rock formation is Northern Ireland's only UNESCO World Heritage Site, and is one of the Emerald Isle's most impressive and atmospheric features.

Bushmills

The small town of Bushmills has long been a pilgrimage for connoisseurs of Irish whiskey, and for good reason: The Old Bushmills Distillery is the world's oldest, granted a licence by King James I in 1608.

Tours offer guests an in-depth look into Bushmills' history and the production of its world renowned whiskey. Friendly guides take guests through the property, making stops at the production facility, barrel aging hanger, whimsical bottling plant and tasting room.

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There's nothing quite as much fun as hitting the highway in the middle of summer. With car windows rolled down, Canada has some of the most remarkable road trips on the planet.

Whether you have days to spend (or just a few hours), treat yourself to some freeway freedom this summer by taking one of these three journeys.

The Sea-to-Sky Highway Vancouver to Whistler, B.C.

Approximately a two-hour drive from Vancouver to Whistler, Highway 99 provides breathtaking seaside vistas and stunning waterfalls as it winds through the Coast Mountains.

Easily one of the most gorgeous drives in Canada, it also celebrates the area's First Nations history with many interpretive kiosks along the way — as well as the fascinating Britannia Mine Museum, where visitors can travel deep into what was once the Commonwealth's largest copper mine.

If You're Hungry: Stop at The Watershed Grill in Shannon Falls and grab a seat on the patio overlooking the peaceful Squamish River.

Cabot Trail Cape Breton, N.S.

A curvy, two-lane blacktop that circles Cape Breton Island, Cabot Trail may be a four-hour drive from Halifax, but it's worth the venture.

Start at the southern tip in Baddeck where Alexander Graham Bell lived. After a visit to the telephone inventor's national historical site, head north to enjoy amazing views from the rocky cliffs overlooking the Atlantic Ocean.

As you circle the route, take in sandy beaches and whale watching in Ingonish and enjoy the French spoken in the Acadian capital of Cheticamp.

If You're Hungry: Be sure to savour freshly caught, hand-gathered Asby Bay oysters at Hideaway Campground and Oyster Market at the top of the Cabot Trail.

The Rocky Mountains Banff to Jasper, Alta.

There's almost no imperfect route through the Rockies. However, for first-timers, begin in Banff (90 minutes from Calgary) where you can bask in the beauty of Canada's first national park and hot springs before heading north through the stunning, mountainous Icefields Parkway to Jasper.

Besides magnificent mountainous scenery, look for wildlife including bears and elk, explore historical buildings or simply hike.

Make time to discover Lake Louise, where visitors are rewarded by a graceful glacial basin below the towering peaks.

If You're Hungry: Try the deli (or make dinner reservations) at popular Sunwapta Falls Lodge, where you can dine and enjoy the panoramic views along the Icefields Parkway.

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What World Pride means for tourism

A giant balloon at last year's Pride Toronto festival advertises World Pride, which is being held in the city this year through June 29. CONTRIBUTED

Beyond the rainbow.
Hotels and restaurants have gone far past just flying a flag for their gay and lesbian patrons

ON THE MOVE
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World Pride 2014 has painted Toronto in rainbow colours this week. I asked Darrell Schuurman, co-founder of Travel Gay Canada, about the importance of gay and lesbian tourism.

Is it significant that Toronto is hosting World Pride 2014?
Pride is a celebration of LGBT individuals, recognizing everything we have gone through to get where we are. Having this global celebration come to Canada for its North American debut raises our profile and shows the world how inviting and open this country is to LGBT travellers. It's also important to note that despite all of our progress, such as the legalization of same-sex marriage, there is still work that needs to be done. The World Pride celebration will include a human rights conference that is going to showcase the need to continue the dialogue on international gay rights and human rights around the world.

What about the economic benefit?
World Pride will be one of the biggest festivals in Toronto this year. Research shows that the Canadian LGBT market in general is worth $8.5 billion; 56 per cent of that money is spent on travel within Canada. Gay and lesbian travellers have the interest in and ability to travel. The key for businesses is to remember it's not just about flying a rainbow flag. Do your homework first and gain an understanding of this market's needs and expectations.

What are some of those expectations?
You need to make a commitment to the community. Businesses need to get involved on a local level and support gay and lesbian causes and organizations. Hotels need to show that their staff has undergone diversity and sensitivity training; the concierge, for example, should be able to tell a gay traveller where there are gay restaurants and bars and what LGBT events are going on in the destination. In many ways the needs of an LGBT traveller mirror those of a mainstream traveller. They want to enjoy all of the same attractions and activities and feel safe doing it.

How would you know if a hotel has put their staff through training?
Look on their websites for endorsements or affiliations from organizations like Travel Gay Canada or the International Gay and Lesbian Travel Association. To be part of those organizations, hotels have to meet criteria on ethical business practices and have front-line staff participate in diversity and sensitivity training.

Bucket list

Enjoy taste of luxe life in Monaco

With a new movie about the immortal Princess Grace of Monaco having debuted at the Cannes Film Festival this year, and the Formula 1 Grand Prix over and done with, it might just be time for you to wander over for a fairy-tale weekend.

Monaco is a great addition to a trip to France, especially if your itinerary includes Nice, which is just 20 miles away.

And while some of your save/splurge strategy should include a night in one of the many exclusive hotels (Hôtel de Paris or the Monte-Carlo Beach Hôtel, just to name two), there are affordable accommodations, too.

You can rent a small flat, stay in nearby Roquebrune-Cap Martin or Nice, or scour the last-minute sites — all options that can help make that bottle of champagne at lunch more reasonable.

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A CV that sells in a few simple steps

What have you done for me lately? The perfect sales resumé prioritizes your performance history

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What good is a resumé if your skills don't relate back to relevant experience? ISTOCK

Are you passionate about selling and looking to get into a sales career?

Perhaps you've never worked directly in sales before, but now that's the path you are determined to follow. Well, whether you've worked in sales or not, you will likely have transferable skills from past work experiences that can help you transition well into a sales role.

To put your best foot forward, it is critical that your resumé highlight your key achievements as they pertain to your sales career.

Keep in mind that a career in sales is for very competitive, ambitious and driven individuals.

For this reason, it is of the utmost importance that you highlight your specific performance based accomplishments.

Here are important things to consider including in your resumé:

The right details
For each company you've worked at, provide a brief description of what that company does/sells and an understanding of their size (i.e. personnel, number of offices and annual revenues).

For each role on your resumé, you should include who you reported to, what you did and your target market.

Key metrics
- Total number of accounts opened annually
- Renewal rates
- Quota and your performance against the quota in all roles
- Vertical industries called on (i.e. public sector, financial, health care)
- Type of accounts called on (i.e. small or medium business, Fortune 100)
- Products or solutions sold
- Territory (geographic, major accounts, channel partners)

Success in the specific

For each role on your resumé, you should include who you reported to, what you did and your target market.

Accomplishments
Outline your accomplishments at the top of your resumé in your summary of qualifications, or highlight your accomplishments separately for each of the jobs or projects listed on your resumé, for example:
- Closed largest order for the month
- Opened most new accounts annually/monthly
- Scholarships or awards
- Other

Relevant training/education
Apart from your grades, employers are interested in looking at what courses you took that are relevant to the sales role — such as a course in sales management, relationship selling, business consulting or marketing with a sales focus.

You might even want to try listing some projects that you completed in these sales-related courses with a brief description of what the project was about and your results.

Compensation structure
Most employers will be quick to ask about your compensation structure.

When applying for a sales role, be sure to point out on your resumé if you have worked commission-oriented jobs before. Heavily commission-oriented roles will stand out as relevant experience.

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Marc Kielburger poses with students at the official launch of Me to We's school supply line. CONTRIBUTED

A perfect pitch is music to their ears

Say what you need to say. Deliver an exceptional elevator pitch with these tips

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Audience of many

- Your elevator pitch is accessible if you can deliver it to a friend, an instructor, a family member and a prospective employer — without making any changes.

Whether you're on the market or in marketing, the elevator pitch should be at the top of your to-do list if you're someone looking to sell a product or an idea.

In today's world, that's all of us — especially if you're a young and hungry student or grad ready to hatch a career.

It's a speech that lasts anywhere from 30 seconds to one minute — roughly the length of an elevator ride — during which you sell, pitch or otherwise market your idea or product.

For job-seekers everywhere, that product or idea is you.

Your elevator pitch is your summary of who you are, what you do, and what makes you the perfect candidate. In other words, your elevator pitch is your story made "brutally simple."

Sounds easy, right? But reducing years of your experience and accomplishments into a slickly crafted 30-second punch can feel as challenging as attempting to fit a hippo into a bumper car.

Creating and delivering an elevator pitch takes some careful thought and consideration, so here are a few tips on making your elevator pitch a knockout:

Having trouble getting started? Your elevator pitch is the perfect answer to the interview question, "Tell me about yourself." ISTOCK

Write it out

Like any good script, your pitch is that much better if written out beforehand. By writing it out, you are able to see how your pitch flows, and where it needs work — just like any other piece of writing you would work on.

Start with your resumé, which lists your professional experience and can help you get the ball rolling.

What are the major skills and experiences you want to draw attention to? You won't have time to cover everything. Remember: Your elevator pitch shouldn't last more than a full minute.

In terms of a word count, you're probably looking in the area of 120 to 150 words that make up your pitch. If your resumé is a full page long, you're looking at closer to 350 to 450 words. So break it down.

No jargon, please

In addition to precision and clarity, elevator pitches need to be accessible. That means cutting out jargon.

Here's an example of how jargon can obscure your meaning: "I contributed to audience outreach by leveraging integrated social media messaging and aligning our strategy with attention to platform-specific standards and positioning."

These are all specialized terms that may mean nothing to a potential employer. Jargon can confuse your audience, or cause them to disengage altogether. This is clearer:

"I encouraged audience engagement by building a presence on different social media platforms, making sure our strategy used each platform for unique purposes."

Write a couple of versions

In addition to being accessible, your elevator pitch needs to be versatile: easy to deliver under different circumstances without a hitch.

Instead of trying to come up with a one-size-fits-all solution, understand how you'll present yourself in different scenarios where an elevator pitch might come in handy. Pitching yourself at a networking event requires a different attitude than you might use in a job interview, for example.

Indeed, it isn't uncommon for the best job-seekers, salespeople and marketers to have several versions of their elevator pitch in their back pocket.

A good elevator pitch isn't just easy for you to deliver — it's also irresistible to the person listening.

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Chicken shares the grill with veg

Barbecue Chicken Salad. This outdoor dinner is perfect for those nights when you want to pass on those pesky carbs

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This recipe makes six servings. EMILY RICHARDS

Get your grill on and create a delicious dinner salad using chicken and vegetables.

With a smokey taste, grilling not only adds great flavour, but also texture to your vegetables.

I like marinating the chicken in the morning so that when I get home I can put everything on the grill for a weeknight meal that is fast and flavourful.

Not to worry if you can't wake up early; you can marinate it the night before.

If you have a chance to slice up your vegetables the night before, too, you'll save time.

Not having the right ingredients can make dinner difficult. But for this recipe, it's easy enough to pick up what you need fresh on your way home while some pantry staples are used to complete the dish.

Ingredients

- 2 tbsp (30 ml) sodium-reduced soy sauce
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) chopped cilantro
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) canola oil
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) minced fresh ginger
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) Asian garlic chili paste or hot pepper flakes
- 4 boneless skinless chicken breasts (about 600 g total)
- 2 each red and yellow bell peppers
- 8 cups (2 l) spring greens
- 3 tbsp (45 ml) rice vinegar

1. In large bowl, whisk together the soy sauce, cilantro, half of the canola oil, ginger, garlic and chili paste. Add chicken breasts and toss to coat well. Cover and refrigerate for at least 30 minutes or up to 1 day.

2. Meanwhile, cut peppers into quarters. Place on greased grill over medium-high heat. Grill for about 10 minutes turning often or until starting to become golden and tender crisp. Remove to plate.

3. Place chicken breasts on medium-high greased grill and grill for about 12 minutes, turning once or until no longer pink inside. Remove to plate.

4. Chop grilled peppers into bite-size pieces. In large bowl, toss peppers with spring greens, remaining oil and vinegar. Slice chicken and serve on top of salad.

Cooking tips

- Grill the chicken and peppers and keep refrigerated for up to 2 days to make the salad later in the week.
- Roasting Option: You can roast the peppers and chicken. Place vegetables on parchment paper lined baking sheet and roast in 425F (220 C) oven for about 10 minutes. Add chicken breasts and roast for another 20 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink inside and peppers are tender.

Halloumi steals salad spotlight

This Grilled Greek Salad recipe serves four. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

1. Slice the onion into 1/2-inch-thick slices. Spear the slices across the grain with a small wooden skewer.

2. In a zip-close plastic bag, combine 1 tablespoon of olive oil, the vinegar, oregano, lemon zest and juice, and garlic. Add a pinch of salt and a hefty pinch of black pepper. Place the skewered onions, artichokes, halloumi and peppers in the bag. Allow to marinate, refrigerated, for at least 2 hours, and up to overnight.

3. Heat the grill to medium-high.

4. Using a slotted spoon, remove the vegetables and cheese from the marinade. Place on a rimmed baking sheet. Arrange the romaine lettuce on the baking sheet and pour the marinade over it, being sure to coat all sides and allow the marinade to seep down into the lettuce leaves. Season with salt and pepper.

5. Grill the onion, artichoke, halloumi and peppers for 4 to 6 minutes per side, or until charred. Grill the romaine lettuce and tomatoes, whole and on the stem, for 3 to 4 minutes, or until charred.

6. To serve, place a half romaine heart on a plate. Arrange a quarter of the artichokes, halloumi, peppers and tomatoes around the romaine. Sprinkle with the chopped olives, then drizzle with additional olive oil and the balsamic glaze.

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Ingredients

- 1 medium red onion
- 1 tbsp olive oil, plus extra
- 1 tbsp balsamic vinegar
- 2 tbsp minced fresh oregano
- Zest and juice of 1 lemon
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- Kosher salt and ground black pepper
- 14-oz can artichoke bottoms, well drained
- 8 oz halloumi cheese, cut into 1/2-inch thick slices
- 2 bell peppers, colour of your choice, cored and cut into 2-inch pieces
- 10 oz cocktail tomatoes, on stem
- 2 hearts of romaine lettuce, halved lengthwise
- 1/2 cup chopped Kalamata olives
- Balsamic glaze, to drizzle

4 SPORTS

Free agency awaits

LeBron opts out of final two years of deal with Heat

LeBron James delivered his message loud and clear, without actually saying a word. He's willing to leave Miami, if that's what it will take to win more championships. And what happens next will likely be up to not just the Heat, but Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh as well.

LeBron James
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Through his agent, James informed the Heat on Tuesday that he has decided to opt out of the final two years of his contract, a move that means he becomes a free agent on July 1. He will be able to sign with any team, including Miami. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Walk-off win

Jays make it two straight over Yanks

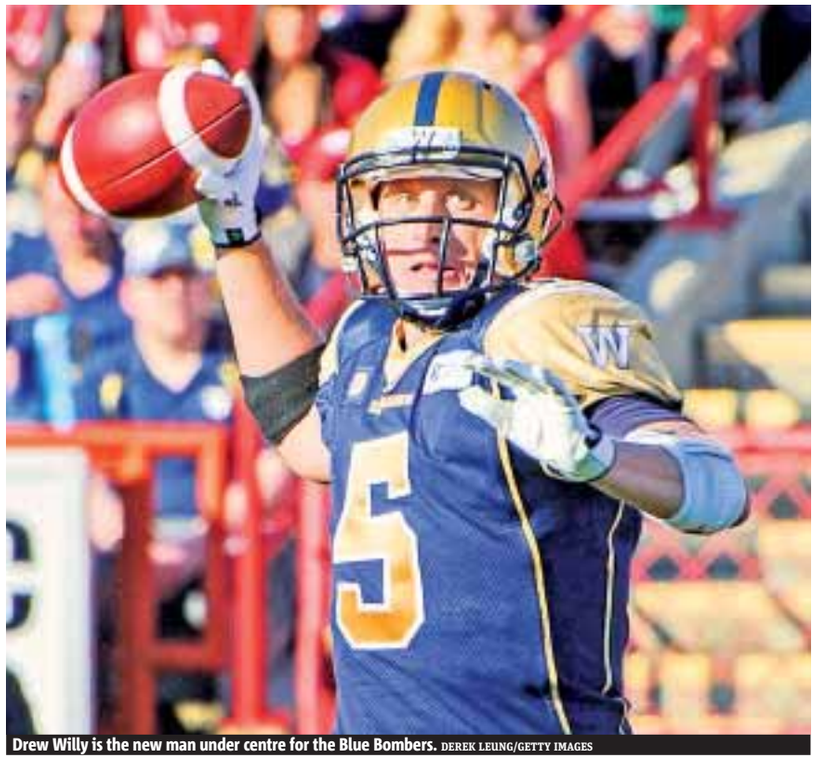
Jose Reyes scored the winning run on a throwing error in the bottom of the ninth as the Toronto Blue Jays defeated the New York Yankees 7-6 on Tuesday night at Rogers Centre.

Reyes led off with a double off New York reliever Adam Warren (1-4). Melky Cabrera dropped down a sacrifice bunt that third baseman Yangervis Solarte threw wide to first base, allowing Reyes to trot home for the walk-off victory.

The division-leading Blue Jays (44-35) moved 3-1/2 games ahead of third-place New York (39-37) with the win. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Bombers' makeover might lead to wins

CFL. New faces all around following abysmal 3-15 season


Drew Willy is the new man under centre for the Blue Bombers. DEREK LEUNG/GETTY IMAGES

If training camp and pre-season are the gauge, the Winnipeg Blue Bombers are a better team this season but not a winning team, at least not yet.

As they bottomed out last year at 3-15 — tying a record for futility in the 18-game CFL set under coach Jeff Reinebold in 1998 — the Bombers cleaned house.

They have a new general manager, new coaches and a new starting quarterback to lead them back to the light. Max Hall, the last quarterback standing after the curtain closed on 2013, was released at the end of training camp last week.

"The biggest need for our team is to promote competition," general manager Kyle Walters said before camp. "We didn't win many football games last year ... We need to overhaul a lot of things."

Mike O'Shea won respect as special teams co-ordinator for the Toronto Argonauts and is earning it in Winnipeg as he settles into his first gig as a CFL head coach. His priorities are clear as the season starts.

"It's important from my perspective that we start winning right away," he said, upping the ante a few days later after his final cuts.

"There's only one reason to start the season and that's to win the Grey Cup."

Making that come true depends largely on the arm of new starting quarterback Drew Willy, backup for two years to Darian Durant in Regina.

Title drought

24

The Blue Bombers last won the Grey Cup 24 years ago in 1990.

To hear O'Shea and Walters tell it, he was always in their sights even though the Bombers made a play for CFL veteran Henry Burris, who instead opted for the expansion Ottawa Redblacks.

O'Shea says Willy hasn't disappointed.

"He's proven all camp he's very accurate," he said. "He's making the throws we want him to make, he's making the decisions we want him to make, and he's hungry to get better."

With Hall gone, CFL rookie Brian Brohm will start as Willy's backup at quarterback. Robert Marve, another rookie, is in the third slot.

O'Shea also insists he has no concerns about any aspect of the team, despite two pre-season losses to the Argonauts and Calgary Stampeders.

On the plus side, the Bombers lost by a combined total of only five points, unlike the 70 that separated them from their opponents last pre-season.

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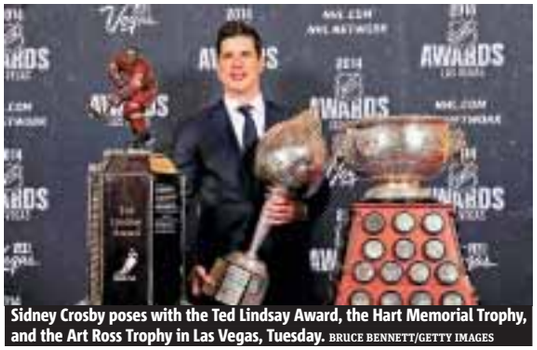
Sid the Kid's got Hart for a second time


Sidney Crosby poses with the Ted Lindsay Award, the Hart Memorial Trophy, and the Art Ross Trophy in Las Vegas, Tuesday. BRUCE BENNETT/GETTY IMAGES

Pittsburgh Penguins captain Sidney Crosby won his second Hart Trophy as the NHL's most valuable player Tuesday night at the league's post-season awards ceremony in Las Vegas.

Crosby also collected the Art Ross Trophy as the league scoring champion and the Ted Lindsay Award as the players' choice for the NHL's most outstanding player.

Boston goalie Tuukka Rask won the Vezina Trophy, and Bruins teammate Patrice Bergeron won his second Selke Trophy as the NHL's best defensive forward. Chicago's Duncan Keith won his second Norris Trophy as the league's top defenceman.

Winning in a landslide

Crosby received 128 of the 137 first-place votes, handily beating Anaheim captain Ryan Getzlaf and Philadelphia captain Claude Giroux.

Colorado coach Patrick Roy won the Adams Award, while Avalanche forward Nathan MacKinnon became the youngest player to win the Calder Trophy as the NHL's top rookie.

Crosby cleaned up at the NHL's awards show after a fruitful season that included a gold medal as Canada's captain at the Sochi Olympics. He led the league with 104 points, including 68 assists in his fifth career 100-point season. Crosby recorded a point in 60 of his 80 games, never going more than two games without a point for the Metropolitan Division champion Penguins.

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Uruguay clamps down on Italy

Giorgio Chiellini of Italy shows apparent bite marks on his shoulder as Uruguay's Gaston Ramirez looks on in Natal, Brazil, on Tuesday. Replays seem to show Luis Suarez — who has a history of sinking his teeth into his opponents — bite the Italian. Scan the image with the Metro News app for additional photos from Tuesday's matches.

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World Cup. Suarez's apparent biting incident highlights ousting of Italians

Underscoring a power shift away from Europe, Uruguay fought — and apparently even bit — its way to a 1-0 victory over Italy Tuesday to move to the World Cup's next round with Costa Rica, which sent England home without a single victory after a goalless draw.

South America's strength was further highlighted when Colombia capped its perfect record in Group C with a 4-1 win over Japan. Europe did get one team through when Greece converted an injury-time penalty for a 2-1 victory over Ivory Coast, eliminating the African team.

The evening excitement could hardly match yet another controversy to haunt Uruguay striker Luis Suarez. Around 80 minutes in, Suarez and Giorgio Chiellini tangled, with replays showing Suarez seemingly biting the shoulder of the Italian defender. It would make Suarez, amazingly, a triple carnivorous offender on the pitch in four years.

"It was absolutely clear. There's even a mark," Chiellini said.

The referee didn't see a bite, and no foul was called. Uruguay coach Oscar Tabarez only had eyes on the result. "For me, and for all the people in Uruguay, we had more important things," he said.

About a minute later, the decisive goal was scored on a powerful header from captain Diego Godin. Italy was down to 10 men since the 59th minute, when Claudio Marchisio received a red card for putting his boot into Egidio Arevalo's knee.

It was the second straight time that Italy, a four-time champion, went out in the first round.

"When you're coming off two defeats without even scoring a goal, we clearly also have to take our share of that blame," said goalkeeper Gianluigi Buffon, who played on his fifth World Cup squad. After the game, Italy coach Cesare Prandelli immediately resigned.

The draw against England gave Costa Rica, the surprise team of the competition, first place in Group D over three former champions, and gutted more of the European contingent at the tournament.

Uruguay will now play Colombia in an all-South American encounter, with Costa Rica taking on Greece.

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"We are so disappointed not to finish with a victory, but I don't think I have asked for a much better performance." England coach Roy Hodgson

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Blowing it. Redknapp says players shirked national team duty

As England exits the World Cup after yet another disappointing campaign, veteran Premier League manager Harry Redknapp has poured fuel on the fire by suggesting some England players shirk national team duty.

Redknapp, now manager of Queens Park Rangers, said it happened during his 2008-12 stint at Spurs. The England players at White Hart Lane at the time included current Toronto FC striker Jermain Defoe.

"I was at Tottenham and I'm telling you now, when full internationals came around, two or three players didn't want to play, they did not want to go and play for England," Redknapp told BBC's Sportsweek.

That drew immediate reaction from England captain Steven Gerrard and manager Roy Hodgson.

"In the two years I've been here, I've seen a greater interest in playing for England, so Harry's comments come as a bit of a surprise, quite frankly," Hodgson told reporters in Brazil.

Gerrard urged Redknapp to name names.

"I tell you what, I'd be interested to find out who those players are," Gerrard told reporters in Brazil.

Queens Park Rangers manager Harry Redknapp

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Redknapp says he won't name names.

Defoe insists he is not one of the guilty parties.

Hodgson said he did not believe Defoe was one of the players Redknapp was referring to. And Defoe was also backed by the England skipper.

"I've spoken to Jermain Defoe and he's devastated (not to be at the World Cup)," said Gerrard. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bite off

Suarez could be facing 24-match ban

Luis Suarez could be banned by FIFA for up to 24 matches or two years for apparently biting Italy defender Giorgio Chiellini, according to the governing body's disciplinary rules.

Still, any action could depend on FIFA judging the case using video evidence — which FIFA President Sepp Blatter is on record this year as supporting.

Now, the future of Luis Suarez at the World Cup depends in the first instance on the report of Mexican referee Marco Rodriguez.

On Tuesday, FIFA said only that it was waiting for Rodriguez's report before evaluating it.

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2014 Hyundai Tucson

- **Type.** Four-door, all-wheel-drive compact SUV
- **Engines (hp).** 2.4-litre four-cylinder with direct gasoline injection (182)
- **Transmission.** Six-speed automatic
- **Base price.** $33,599 (plus destination fee)

Market position

The Tucson offers a variety of choices, including two engines, front- or all-wheel drive, and even a manual transmission on its base trim level, along with numerous premium features on the top-line model.

Points

- New for 2014, both engines feature direct gasoline injection, formerly found on more expensive cars. This lets engineers tweak the engines for more power and better fuel economy.
- The GLS and Limited trims come with a panoramic sunroof, which adds to the cabin's roomy feel.
- The shock absorbers automatically adjust to road conditions for a smoother, more stable ride and confident cornering.

The Tucson's pointed rear side windows cut down on visibility.
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Safety

Front, side, and curtain airbags; stability control; anti-lock brakes with brake force distribution and assist; active front head restraints

If a car and an SUV had a love child

Review. The Hyundai Tucson Limited offers all-wheel drive, tons of legroom and driver-selectable steering

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The compact SUV segment is one of the most popular in Canada, and it's easy to see why. These are vehicles that combine car-like driving characteristics with SUV-style practicality, and in many cases, all-wheel drive capability. Hyundai bundles all of that together in its Tucson.

Three trim lines are available, starting at $21,499 for the GL, with a 164-horsepower, 2.0-litre four-cylinder engine and front-wheel drive. Next up is the mid-range GLS, which uses a 2.4-litre four-cylinder making 182 horsepower. My tester, the top-line Limited, exclusively combines the 2.4-litre with all-wheel drive.

It's priced at $33,599 and includes such Limited-only features as dual-zone automatic climate control, premium stereo, navigation, and leather seats.

Its AWD isn't meant for off-roading, but for improved traction. The all-wheel Tucson primarily runs in front-wheel, but sends power to the rear tires when it senses slippage. For muddy or snowy driveways, you can lock it into four-wheel at low speeds.

Also included on the Limited is driver-selectable steering, which lets you adjust the steering feel to normal, comfort, or sport. I find it more of a gimmick than anything, and all but the sport are too light and vague for my liking.

The Tucson's handsome, especially with its new headlamps and, on the Limited, its LED taillights. However, while the side windows come to a stylish point at the rear, they do cut down on visibility.

The seats are supportive, and while all Tucson models have heated front chairs, the GLS and Limited have heated rear ones, too. Rear legroom is good, and while the rear seats don't fold completely flat, they're easy to operate when you need to increase the cargo area.

Overall, the Tucson rides and handles well, it's roomy inside, and it comes with a long warranty. I found the Limited a little pricey and would probably opt for the mid-range GLS, but check out the features and test-drive both of them if a compact SUV is in your future.

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The guayule is an alternative source of natural rubber. USDA

This scraggly looking shrub is a rubber resource

Guayule. A consortium is looking into this desert plant as an alternative to the rubber tree as demand for natural rubber grows

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If this scraggy shrub was growing on your property, chances are you'd be looking to eradicate it with a big weed whacker.

Not only is it not pretty, but it's got a name that gives your mouth a cardiovascular and flexibility workout: *guayule*, pronounced "gwah-yoo-lee."

But this shrub, which grows wild in the desert, produces rubber.

The world's demand for natural rubber is increasing, and many are concerned that the rubber tree (a.k.a. the Hevea tree) won't be able to keep up. It's only grown in a relatively thin strip around the equator in jungle-like locations that are not fun for workers, and where landowners have more lucrative crop options (some legal, some not so much). On top of that, it takes seven years before you can harvest rubber from a rubber tree.

So a consortium — led by Cooper Tires and which includes Arizona State University — has a $6.9-million grant from the U.S. government to look into the possibility of large-scale growth and production of guayule-based natural rubber.

Arizona State is looking at the entire social and environmental impact of turning desert into guayule farmland.

We could just use more synthetic rubber, sourced from petrochemicals, but that's not ideal, and natural rubber is a very unique product.

Even with all their laboratories and white coats, tire scientists still prefer to use natural rubber in tires.

"Natural rubber is the closest thing to the perfect elastomer. If I could only use one elastromer in a tire, I would chose natural rubber," says Cooper Tire research scientist Howard Colvin, from the company's headquarters in Findlay, Ohio.

Colvin says natural rubber has lots of beneficial properties, but among the most prized is its ability to self-heal.

"When you get a small crack in the rubber compound, the crack stops immediately. In synthetics that is not the case. This is especially important in a sidewall, where you have a lot of flexing going on."

Natural rubber stays "cooler" than synthetic rubbers.

According to Colvin, the rubber fibres sourced from guayule are remarkably similar to fibres sourced from Hevea, except that guayule, "smells a lot better ... fresher ... a bit like Pine Sol."

Guayule can be harvested every 18 months, and harvesting nets useful byproducts, such as resins and biomass that can be processed into fuel.

Many tire makers, including Cooper, are also looking into Russian dandelion-sourced rubber; its main byproduct is sugars.

Colvin's colleague, Chuck Yurkovich, Cooper's vice-president of global technology, personally feels that guayule is closer to being a realist rubber resource than Russian dandelion. How close?

"We're at the point where we are building and testing tires. But a lot also depends on the success of the agronomic part of the equation. Then there would be manufacturing capabilities to be built up. But theoretically you could have a product on the market that uses some guayule rubber in five to 10 years. A lot depends on what happens in the next 12 to 18 months."

Coming soon

"Theoretically you could have a product on the market that uses some guayule rubber in five to 10 years."

Chuck Yurkovich, Cooper Tires

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
Sometimes it is best to leave things to fate and as you are under divine protection at the moment nothing and no one can hurt you. Not that anyone in their right mind would want to try it anyway.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
It annoys you when others drag their feet but there is no point losing your temper if a loved one takes too much time to do something today. Do whatever it takes to hold in that scream.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
You may be tempted to take what you want today, simply because you know that you can, but maybe you should look a little further ahead and think how it may affect a relationship.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
There may be times over the next 24 hours when it feels as if you are the only one who does not know what is going on, but is that such a bad thing? Being out of the loop could actually work in your favour today.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
Let others know what you intend to do and invite them to join in if they have something to offer. This is a great day for strengthening bonds that may have come a bit loose of late.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
There is nothing wrong with having power but if you've got it you must make sure you use it in the right way. Bear that thought in mind today. Don't use power to take what you are not really entitled to.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Mars in your sign makes you believe you can do anything you choose but other aspects warn if you act without thinking today you could end up a loser. Stay on the good side of people in positions of power.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Someone will pull rank on you today but don't get uptight about it because there is nothing you can do to change things. Keep your thoughts and feelings to yourself.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You may have to twist a few arms to get what you want today but it won't be too difficult, in fact you will enjoy playing the tough guy.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
The planets warn if you don't make a decision soon about a career matter it will be taken out of your hands. Don't get too hung up on available choices. Whatever you go for will work out well for you.

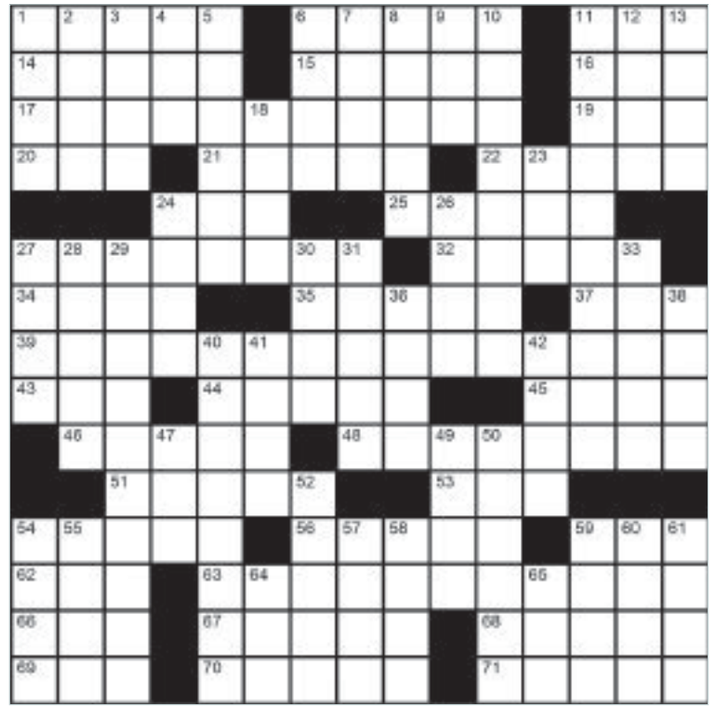
♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Someone you meet on your travels will become very important to you in the weeks and months to come. You will be on exactly the same wavelength mentally and emotionally — and there is the chance romance could blossom.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Sometimes it is better to back off from a fight and with Mars opposing Uranus today this is one of them. Let others argue. Your talents are better suited to loving. **SALLY BROMPTON**

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.

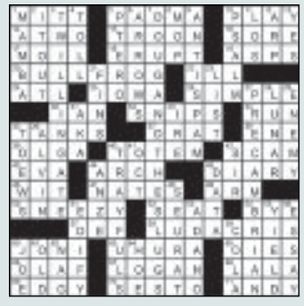
BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



Across
1. Montreal-born filmmaker, Claude __
6. Stitched
11. Li'l Alberta city
14. "Secret __ Man" by Johnny Rivers
15. Southwestern Ontario gorge village
16. Canadian choo-choo company
17. Annual music festival at Worthy Farm now underway in England
19. Have breakfast
20. Mr. Emmett, Triumph member
21. Computer chip company
22. De-shines
24. Miami, __.
25. Bowler hat
27. Drumheller's terrain in Alberta
32. Human __
34. Mr. Morales
35. Catherine of "SCTV"
37. She'd opposite
39. Elizabeth Grant = Canadian __ __ __
43. Writer Mr. Lawrence, et al.
44. Trail trekker
45. "ET Canada" Entertainment Reporter Ms. Cebula
46. Truck company headquartered in Mississauga, ON
48. Bit of "The Beverly Hillbillies" theme: "Oil that is, black gold, __ __."
51. Show ticket, informally
53. Leandro's beloved
54. Grand __ Railway
56. Weaponize again
59. BC's ocean
62. __ flooring
63. He whose works are featuredeth at the Stratford Festival in Ontario
66. Li'l four-stringer
67. "How can _ __ repay you?" (Thank you)
68. Like greenery-covered houses
69. CV
70. Dependent
71.Verbs subject

Down
1. Hockey player, Jaromir __
2. Certain citrus
3. Furniture wood
4. Medical pros
5. __ the Hun
6. E-Mailed
7. River for Hamburg
8. "That __ explain it!" (Makes sense!)
9. Flub up
10. "__ Believer" by The Monkees
11. Toronto-born ballerina who was The Royal Winnipeg Ballet's principal dancer: 2 wds.
12. Radio tuner
13. At-the-door rugs
18. __ even keel: 2 wds.
23. Caesar's 'where'
24. __ Flon, MB
26. River of Spain
27. Greatest
28. Questioner
29. Shorts styles: 2 wds.
30. Geek
31. Bedding linen
33. Soap star Ms. Francis
36. Land measure
38. Prefix to 'mite' (Explosive stuff)
40. Does this at the hotel upon arrival: 2 wds.
41. __ _ grievance
42. Money in Mexico
47. Horse coat hue
49. Gen-__ (Woodstock 94 attendees)
50. Deodorant-applying zone
52. Crossbeam
54. __ of duty
55. Tiller's tool
57. Laboriously got by
58. Lofty nest, variantly
59. Anguish
60. Ancient war god
61. Grant
64. Donkey's bray half
65. "All About __" (1950)

Yesterday's Crossword



Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

	4	6					9	
8					9		2	
1			2		6	4		
	1			9		5		8
3		7		8			1	
		4	9		2			3
	8		5					7
	2					1	6	

Yesterday's Sudoku

7	2	1	5	9	8	3	4	6
3	8	4	6	7	2	9	1	5
9	6	5	1	4	3	2	8	7
8	4	2	3	5	6	1	7	9
5	3	9	2	1	7	4	6	8
6	1	7	4	8	9	5	3	2
1	9	8	7	2	4	6	5	3
4	7	6	9	3	5	8	2	1
2	5	3	8	6	1	7	9	4

Weather

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAX: 20° MIN: 11°	MAX: 25° MIN: 14°	MAX: 27° MIN: 15°

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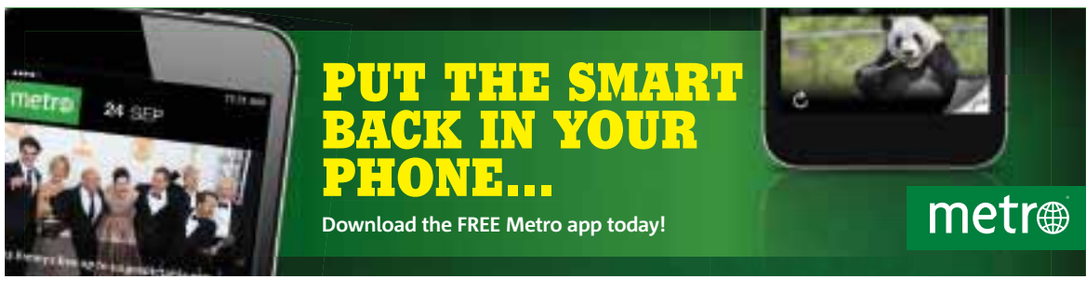

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